

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills Energy,) Application No. NG-0007.6/
Omaha, seeking to amend the Black Hills) PI-151
Energy Tariff with the Third Revised)
Tariff Sheet Index No. 8, to provide) ASSESSMENT ORDER
for an Annual Retail Service Credit,) HS-008
pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 66-)
1808.) Entered: April 20, 2010

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission received a letter from Harding & Shultz dated March 31, 2010, and an invoice dated March 10, 2010, for Public Advocate's Consultant services cost associated in the above-captioned docket, for the period August 1, 2009, to August 31, 2009, totaling \$3,961.00. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the Agreement dated November 15, 2008, between the Commission and Harding & Shultz. Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the expenses reflected on the invoice against Black Hills Energy (Black Hills) pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 66-1840.

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Upon the recommendations of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment against Black Hills Energy of the expenses reflected in the above-mentioned letter from Harding & Shultz and consultant invoice should be approved. The Commission further finds that the Commission should pay the invoice upon receipt of payment by Black Hills.

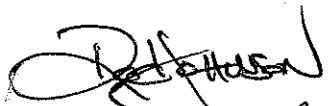
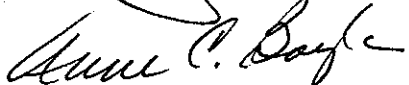

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commission that the above-mentioned assessment is approved and hereby made.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 20th day of April, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman



ATTEST:

Executive Director



//s// Frank E. Landis
//s// Gerald L. Vap